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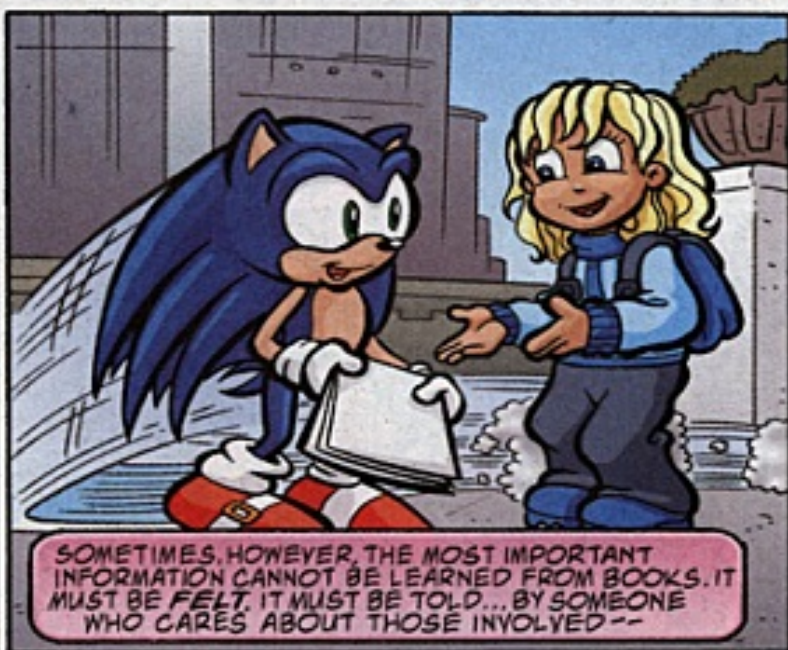
**WHEN ROBOTNIK FIRST ROSE TO POWER,  
ONLY THE BRAVEST STOOD AGAINST  
HIS TYRANNICAL RULE. THUS, THE  
FREEDOM FIGHTERS WERE FORMED  
TO DEFEND AND INSPIRE THOSE AROUND THEM.  
UNTIL...**

**THE FATEFUL DAY WHEN THEY  
WERE BETRAYED BY ONE OF THEIR OWN!**

## **THE ORIGINAL FREEDOM FIGHTERS**

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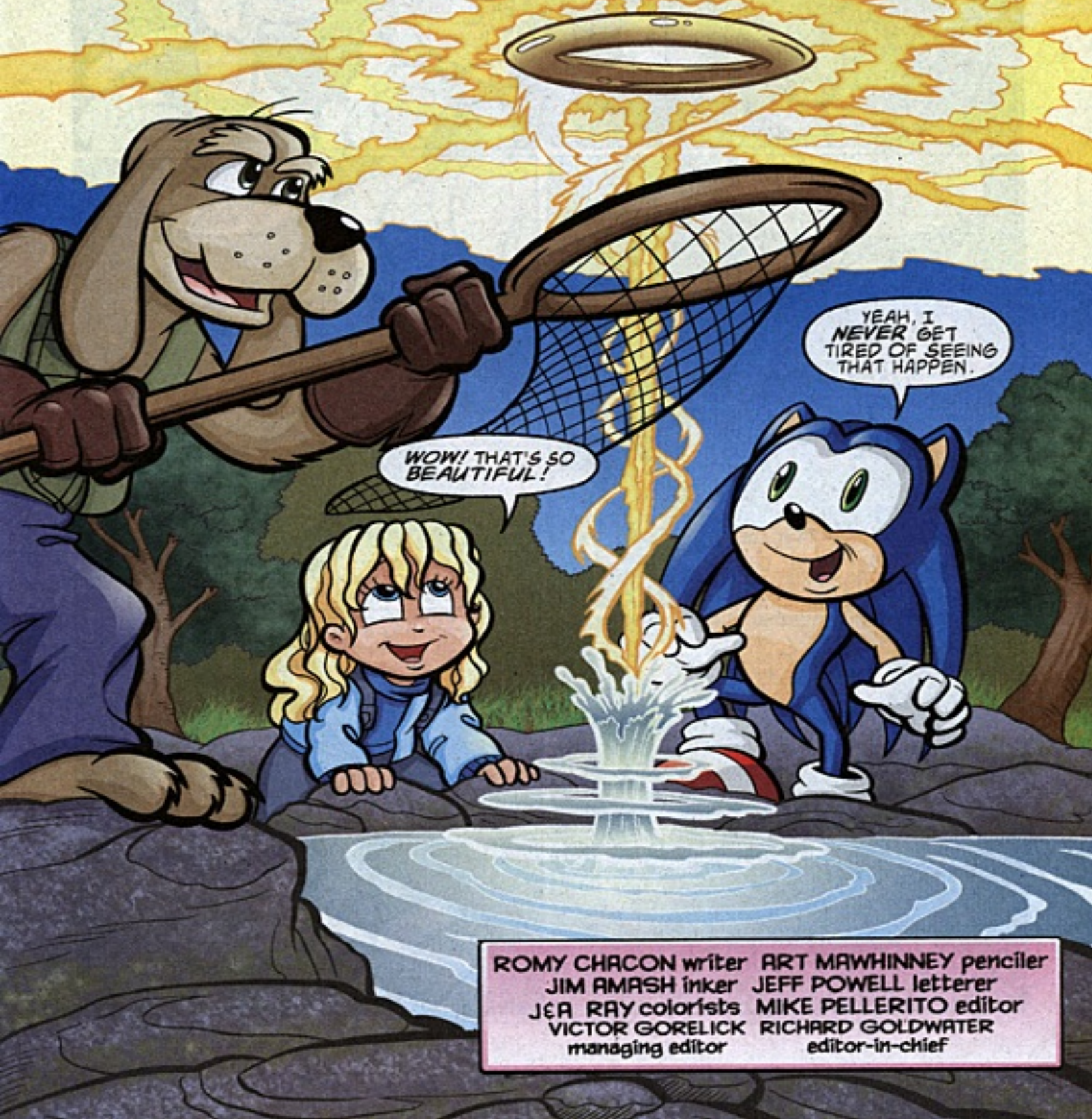






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"THEY HAD FOUND OUT KING ACORN WAS SENT TO THE VOID, A DOORWAY TO ANOTHER REALM DISCOVERED BY IXIS NAUGUS."

"IT WAS LOCATED DEEP IN THE KING'S OLD CASTLE, NOW ROBOTNIK'S HQ."



"THEY PLANNED TO GET IN UNDETECTED, FIND THE DOORWAY AND FREE THE KING FROM THE VOID."



"THEY GOT IN THROUGH A VENTILATION SHAFT."



"THE OUTSIDE LOOKED NOTHING LIKE THE OLD ACORN'S CASTLE, HOWEVER, THE INTERIOR'S INFRA-STRUCTURE HAD NOT CHANGED AS DRASTICALLY."



GENTLEMEN, WE'RE IN.



"IT WAS AS GOOD A PLAN AS PLANS GO."



"BUT LIKE ANY GOOD PLAN..."





SO, BENTLEY,  
WHAT'S THE JOB?

WELL, CLOCKWERK'S PARTS HAVE  
BEEN STOLEN AND WE'RE THE PRIME SUSPECTS  
ON INSPECTOR FOX'S LIST.

SLY, WE'VE GOT TO  
CLEAR OUR NAMES.

AH, YES. SHE'S  
REALLY QUITE LOVELY  
WHEN SHE'S ANGRY.

AND THE  
MURRAY-NATOR'S  
GOT YA COVERED!

OH, SORRY...

THIS IS OUR BIGGEST JOB YET, SO THE THREE OF US REALLY HAVE TO  
WORK TOGETHER. BUT THE WHOLE JOB IS BLOWN...

...IF WE DON'T HAVE SOMEONE  
AT THE CONTROLS.

ARE YOU IN...  
OR OUT?

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JULIAN...

COL. STRIPE!  
SO GOOD OF YOU TO VISIT.

WHY,  
SCALES?  
WHY?

BECAUSE  
DR. ROBOTNIK GAVE  
ME... POWER AND  
CONTROL. BESIDES,  
I'M A SNAKE. IT'S  
TOTALLY WITHIN MY  
NATURE.

SO YOU GOT  
US WHERE YOU  
WANT US, JULIAN.  
NOW WHAT?

FIRST,  
ADDRESS ME AS  
DR. ROBOTNIK.

SECOND, I MUST SAY,  
YOU WERE STARTING TO  
BECOME A REAL THORN.  
LUCKILY, I WAS ABLE TO DO  
SOME PLANTING  
MYSELF.









"AND LIKE THAT,  
THEY WERE  
ROBOTICIZED."



"THEN ROBOTNIK  
OPENED THE VOID."



"AND THE ORIGINAL FREEDOM  
FIGHTERS WERE SUCKED  
THROUGH THE VOID, JUST  
LIKE THEIR KING."

\* From the now classic SONIC #43.



"OF COURSE, WE  
LEARNED THIS ALL  
YEARS LATER."



SIR CHARLES, I  
COMMAND YOU TO  
THE VOID. I'M OFF TO  
MORE IMPORTANT  
THINGS...



"UNCLE CHUCK WITNESSED  
THE WHOLE THING AND  
RECORDED IT TO HIS  
MEMORY WHEN HE WAS STILL  
ROBOTICIZED."



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"IT TOOK YEARS FOR UNCLE CHUCK TO BREAK OUT OF ROBOTNIK'S PROGRAMMING. AT THE TIME, ALL THESE DETAILS WERE HIDDEN."

"ALL WE KNEW WAS THAT OUR... THEY WERE GONE."

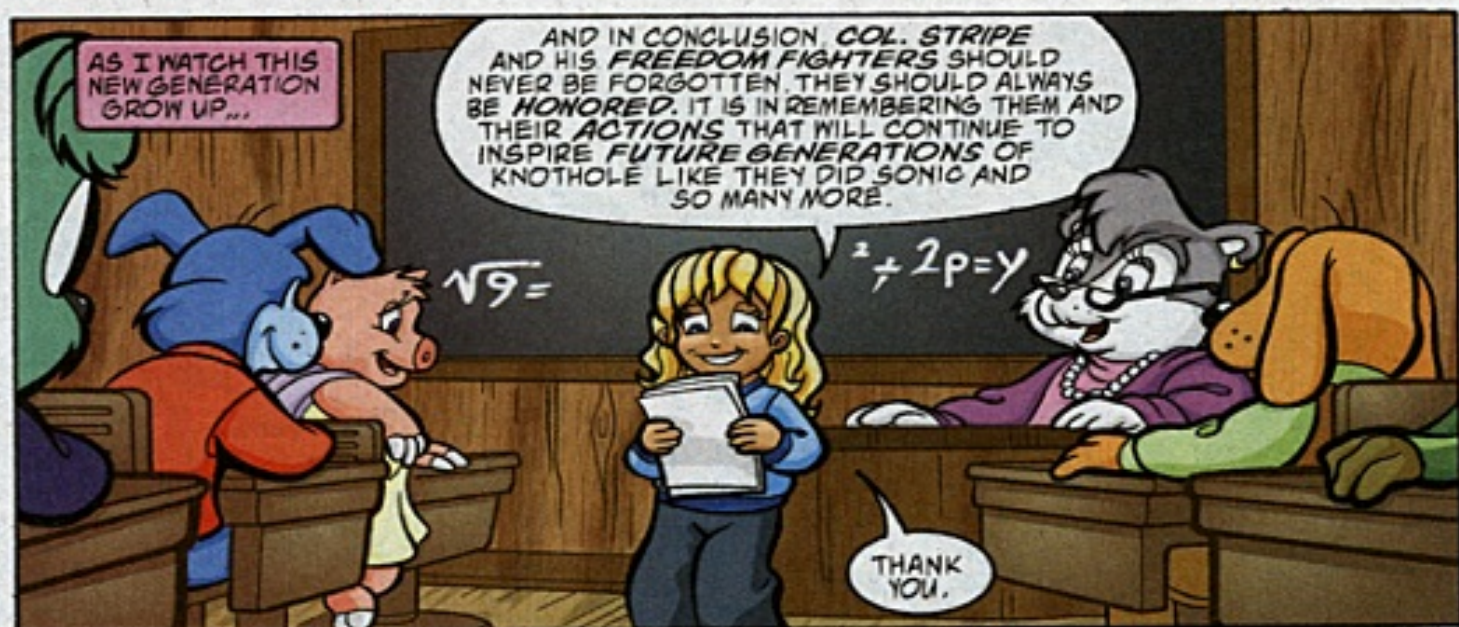
"THOUGH THEY WERE NEVER FOUND, WE DECIDED TO GIVE THEM A PROPER SERVICE DESERVING OF HEROES."

"I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT TO DO. EVEN WITH EVERYBODY THERE I FELT VERY ALONE."











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MORNING,  
L'IL MISS!

MORNING,  
ABBY!

HAVE YOU  
SEEN MOM  
AND DAD THIS  
MORNING?



MORNING,  
AUNT SALLY!

HEY, MOM!  
WHERE'S DAD?

GOOD  
MORNING,  
DEAR!

SURELY  
YOU HAVEN'T  
***FORGOTTEN***  
WHAT ***DAY*** THIS  
IS, LARA-SU?



YOUR MOTHER'S  
HAVING HER MORNING  
***CHONO*** WITH THE  
***QUEEN*** OUT ON  
THE PATIO!

THANKS!



OH!

THAT'S  
RIGHT!



"SORRY!"



I PROBABLY  
***SHOULD*** HAVE  
ACCOMPANIED  
SONIC --

\* SEE LAST ISSUE  
FOR DETAILS!



-- BUT  
WHAT ***CHOICE***  
DO I HAVE?



# INDUBIUS 25 YEARS LATER

ACTUALLY, I DIDN'T HAVE  
ANY CHOICE AT ALL.  
NOT ON TODAY OF ALL  
DAYS...

STILL SEEMS  
LIKE ONLY  
YESTERDAY --



## FATHER'S Day CHAPTER ONE

GATHER 'ROUND NOW FOR THE MOST  
POIGNANT CHAPTER IN THE LIFE OF  
EVERYONE'S FAVORITE ECHIDNA BY

KEN PENDERS - SCRIPT, ART &  
LETTERING  
JASON JENSEN - COLORIST

" -- WHEN I TRAVELED WITH ARCHIMEDES BACK TO  
THE SITE WHERE ANGEL ISLAND CAME FROM..."

I STILL DON'T  
UNDERSTAND  
WHY YOU'RE  
DOING THIS!

I  
MEAN --

-- YOU'VE  
LIVED ON THE  
ISLAND YOUR  
WHOLE LIFE!

M'BOY, I'M  
GOING TO MISS  
YOU TERRIBLY, AS  
I'VE TRULY ENJOYED  
YOUR COMPANY  
THESE PAST FEW  
WEEKS!





AND NOW I WISH TO RETURN TO MY ANCESTRAL GROUNDS!

AREN'T THERE A FAIR SHARE OF ECHIDNAS WHO LONG FOR ALBION?

ATHAIR DARED TO DREAM! MAYBE YOU SHOULD AS WELL!

YOU'VE ALREADY TAKEN YOUR FIRST STEP!

I SUPPOSE.

BUT I DON'T UNDERSTAND THAT BIT EITHER!

HUH?

BAMF!

BAMF!

I CAN'T IMAGINE LIVING ANYWHERE BUT ANGEL ISLAND!

DID YOU OR DID YOU NOT SAY THE GUARDIANSHIP SHOULD END WITH YOU?

THAT YOU WOULDN'T WANT ANY CHILDREN OF YOURS TO FOLLOW IN YOUR FOOTSTEPS?

YEAH! SO?

IF YOU ADHERE TO THAT DECISION, YOU'D BE MAKING A CLEAR BREAK FROM THE PAST!

NOTHING'S EVER COME EASY BEFORE, ARCHI --

-- AND I DON'T EXPECT IT EVER WILL!

M'BOY --

ARE YOU CERTAIN YOU'RE UP TO DEALING WITH THE REPERCUSSIONS?





**BAMF!**

"I JUST STOOD THERE, NUMB WITH A SENSE OF **LOSS**, AND WONDERING IF I'D EVER SEE HIM AGAIN..."

\* **ARCHI** IS PRONOUNCED "AR-KEY" WHEREAS THE FORMAL VERSION IS PRONOUNCED "AR-KHA-ME-DEES."



"AFTER AWHILE, I USED THE **GUIDING STAR GEM** TO RETURN TO ANGEL ISLAND ONCE" MORE...





"MOM COULDN'T BRING HERSELF TO ACTUALLY SAY WHAT WAS UP WITH DAD, SO WYNNACHER TOOK CHARGE AT THAT POINT..."

I THINK IT BEST FOR ALL CONCERNED IF WE TOOK A RIDE UPTOWN!

CABBIE!!

WHERE TO, YOUR LORDSHIP?

ALBION GENERAL, MY GOOD MAN!

THE HOSPITAL? DAD'S THERE?!

TO PUT IT AS GENTLY AS POSSIBLE, SON, YOUR FATHER HASN'T BEEN FEELING WELL IN SOME TIME --

-- AND WE'RE NOT SURE WHAT EXACTLY HIS PROBLEM IS!

BUT DAD WAS DOING GREAT WHEN I LAST SAW HIM!

"NOBODY SAID A WORD AFTER THAT UNTIL WE GOT TO THE HOSPITAL --"

"-- WHERE WE MET WITH DOCTOR SHOCKRA..."

SO YOU'RE THE GUARDIAN! YOUR FATHER MUST BE VERY PROUD!

LOOK, DOC, I DON'T WANT TO SEEM RUDE --

-- BUT I'D RATHER HEAR ABOUT MY DAD!



IN A NUTSHELL, **EVERY** TEST WE'VE RUN HAS COME UP **NEGATIVE!**

BY EVERY STANDARD OF MEASURE, HE SHOULD BE **ABLE** TO JUST GET UP AND WALK OUT OF HERE **ON HIS OWN!**

BUT -- ?

HIS WEIGHT IS **DOWN**, HIS **STAMINA** CLEARLY NOT WHAT IT USED TO BE, AND HE'S IN **CONSTANT PAIN!**

SO CAN YOU **FIX** HIM?

WE HAVE **TWO** OPTIONS -- ONE: WE CAN KEEP RUNNING TESTS IN THE **HOPE** SOMETHING TURNS UP --

-- OR TWO: WE CAN PERFORM **SURGERY!**

BUT IF WE DO THAT, WE COULD **SPEED UP** THE PROCESS!

**PROCESS?** WHAT PROCESS, DOC?

**YOUR FATHER'S DYING!**





# FATHER'S DAY

CHAPTER TWO

"SINCE DAD WASN'T CLEARLY OF SOUND MIND AT THE TIME, AS HIS *CLOSEST* RELATIVE, THE DOCS TURNED TO *ME* FOR PERMISSION TO PERFORM EXPLORATORY SURGERY."

GUARDIAN?

"AND SINCE *MOM* WAS A *MESS* -- CRYING ONE MINUTE, ANGRY THE NEXT -- I HAD *NO ONE* TO TURN TO. NOT WYNMACHER. NOT MY GRANDFATHER SABRE. AND *MACE* WAS TOO YOUNG."

"SO I HAD TO MAKE THE CALL."

"IT SEEMED LIKE A *LIFETIME* AGO WHEN THE *DOCTOR* CAME TO GIVE HIS *PROGNOSIS*..."

YEAH?

THERE'S *NOTHING* MORE WE CAN DO. I'M *SORRY*."

YOUR FATHER HAS A *CARCINOGENIC* PANCREAS.

IS -- IS THAT IT?



HIM MAKING  
IT TO **ASCENSION  
DAY**\* WOULD BE  
ABOUT THE BEST  
ONE COULD HOPE  
FOR!

BUT THERE ARE  
NO **GUARANTEES**  
OF EVEN THAT!

\* **ECHIDNA HOLIDAY**  
COMMEMORATING WHEN  
**ANGEL ISLAND** WENT  
SKYBORN AND AVERTED  
CERTAIN DESTRUCTION.

"SO DAD HAD **MAYBE NINE  
MONTHS** AT MOST, AND  
THAT WAS ONLY A BEST  
CASE SCENARIO!"

"WHICH LEFT ONLY ONE  
OTHER QUESTION THAT  
**NEEDED** TO BE ASKED --"

HOW DID  
DAD -- I  
MEAN --

THAT'S ANOTHER **MYSTERY!**

WE SURMISE YOUR  
FATHER WAS AT SOME  
POINT **EXPOSED** TO A  
**TOXIC** SUBSTANCE  
WE DON'T KNOW MUCH  
ABOUT!

IT COULD HAVE  
BEEN RECENTLY --  
OR **DECADES**  
**AGO!**

WHEN  
CAN WE  
SEE MY  
DAD?

**LOCKE**  
SHOULD **AWAKEN**  
IN A COUPLE OF  
HOURS. AFTER  
THAT, IT SHOULD  
BE ALL RIGHT!

IF THERE'S  
ANYTHING  
YOU NEED  
IN THE  
MEANTIME,  
JUST TELL  
THE  
NURSES!

YEAH!  
THANKS,  
DOC!









AND I'VE PAID FOR  
THAT MISTAKE *MANY*  
*TIMES* SINCE!

DAD!  
PLEASE --  
*DON'T!*

OH,  
YES, IT  
IS!

I KNOW  
THE SCORE,  
LARA --

LOCKE,  
IT ISN'T  
NECESSARY!

-- AND I HAVE SO  
LITTLE TIME AND SO  
MUCH TO SAY -- !

AND YOU, KNUCKLES,  
MY SON, I DON'T EVEN  
KNOW WHERE TO  
BEGIN!

I *WISH* WITH ALL  
MY HEART I HAD  
DONE THINGS  
DIFFERENTLY!

YOUR GREAT-GRAND-  
FATHER *ATHAIR* TOLD ME  
TO HAVE *FAITH* -- THAT  
*AURORA* WOULD SHOW  
ME THE WAY!

THAT  
*EVERY-*  
*THING*  
HAPPENS  
FOR A  
*REASON!*

I ALWAYS  
THOUGHT YOU  
WERE THE  
*BEST*, DAD!

I'LL NEVER FORGIVE  
MYSELF FOR PLACING THE  
MANTLE OF *GUARDIAN* ON  
YOU SO *YOUNG!*

EVERYTHING  
TURNED OUT  
*OKAY* IN THE  
*END!*

I SHOULD  
HAVE GIVEN  
YOU A  
*CHOICE!*

WHAT'S  
THE *POINT?*  
YOU THINK I  
*RESENT*  
YOU?

YOU'RE *MY*  
DAD AND  
THAT'S *ALL*  
THAT  
*MATTERS!*

YOU  
HAVE NO  
IDEA -- !



I LISTENED  
TO A VOICE --  
FOLLOWED THE  
TEACHINGS OF  
THOSE BEFORE  
ME --

-- THAT  
ALL SAID  
YOU WERE  
MEANT TO  
BREAK THE  
CYCLE --

-- YOUR DESTINY  
GREATER THAN ANY  
WHO CAME BEFORE  
YOU --

I THOUGHT THAT  
MATTERED ABOVE  
ALL ELSE --

-- BUT I  
KNOW NOW  
THAT WAS  
WRONG!

WHAT  
TRULY DOES  
MATTER --

-- IS THAT  
YOU'RE MY  
SON --

-- AND  
THAT I LOVE  
YOU!

"SOONER THAN ANYONE  
HAD EXPECTED, DAD  
PASSED AWAY IN HIS  
SLEEP IN THE MIDDLE OF  
THE NIGHT ON THE SIXTY-  
FIRST DAY OF THE YEAR  
3246. BOTH MOM AND I  
WERE AT HIS SIDE."

"A PRIVATE CEREMONY  
WAS HELD THREE DAYS  
LATER ON A FRIDAY,  
WITH ONLY FAMILY AND  
CLOSE FRIENDS IN  
ATTENDANCE..."

"I DIDN'T FINALLY CRY  
UNTIL HOURS LATER,  
WHEN I WAS ALONE..."



-- AND I  
COULDN'T STOP  
FOR WELL OVER  
AN HOUR!

IT WAS LIKE  
EVERYTHING I  
HAD CAME  
POURING OUT  
OF ME!

AND NOW I'VE  
COME BACK,  
DAD --

•LOCKE•  
BELOVED  
FATHER  
AND  
SOULMATE

-- AS I  
ALWAYS  
DO!

I SEE MOM  
STILL BRINGS  
FLOWERS!

PROBABLY NOT  
MUCH LONGER,  
THOUGH! HER AND  
WYN HAVE BEEN  
TALKING ABOUT  
MOVING TO  
ALBION!

YOU MUST  
REALLY BE  
SMILING  
RIGHT NOW!

IT JUST  
OCCURRED TO  
ME LATELY HOW  
WELL YOU DID  
YOUR JOB!


I WAS SO  
DETERMINED NOT  
TO REPEAT YOUR  
ACTIONS THAT I  
FOUND OTHER  
WAYS TO DO THEM  
INSTEAD!

JUST LIKE YOU  
GAVE ME NO CHOICE  
IN BECOMING A  
GUARDIAN, I WAS SET  
ON PREVENTING  
YOUR GRAND-  
DAUGHTER FROM  
GOING THROUGH  
WHAT I DID!

AND  
THAT'S JUST  
AS WRONG,  
TOO!

I FINALLY  
UNDERSTAND  
HOW DIFFERENT  
THINGS ARE AS A  
PARENT FROM  
WHEN YOU'RE  
A KID!





SO I'M GOING  
TO GIVE HER THE  
CHOICE YOU DIDN'T  
GIVE ME -- THE  
CHOICE YOU  
WEREN'T GIVEN  
EITHER, DAD!

IT ONLY  
TOOK UNTIL *NOW*  
FOR ME TO  
*REALIZE* THAT,  
AS WELL!

I ONLY  
WISH --

-- YOU  
WERE HERE  
FOR ME TO  
SHARE THAT  
WITH!

IN LOVING MEMORY OF MY FATHER  
*KENNETH*  
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# LETTERS:

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Dear Sonic-Grams, I am writing this as a school project and may have some weird stuff in here, so I hope you understand. I chose you guys over all the other comics and magazines! You guys rock! I remember getting my first Sonic comic when I was seven. I brought it everywhere and read it about two hundred times! Now I'm eleven and going on four hundred! I always try to get all of them, but always slip up. It's like missing pieces of a puzzle! What about the old characters? I used to watch those old Sonic movies, you know, with Scratch, Grounder, and the monkey guy with the siren on his head.

*That's Coconut. We have a cool story planned with them and all those "old skool" Badniks!*

I have many missed issues and don't know the difference between Robotnik and Eggman. This is the end of my letter, and I'm not going to say I'm your number one fan, and YOU GUYS ARE THE BEST!!!!!! Your #1.5 Fan,

-MATT BENTLEY  
BELTSVILLE, MD

Hello, anyone home?

*Actually I'm at the Archie office.*

Hi. I just want you to know that I'm your #1 fan times 10 ... times 10. I liked the "Return to Angel Island" series. I have a ton of comics. I wonder how to get more? (hint: Shameless Plug #1)

*Ah, you have learned the power of the SONIC CHECKLIST. Also a subscription is excellent too. (Shameless Plug#1)*

I know you've heard this question a thousand times, so what's one more time: What is the estimated issue in which you tell us readers about the Bunnie/Antoine breakup?

*We start to drop some major hints soon, which lead up to a big surprise revelation over the next year. Next issue will touch on that with "Love and Loss." That is all I will say.*

I like M25YL, keep up the good artwork, and keep on juicin'!

*Don't miss the climactic conclusion in issue 144!*

-TIM MOORE  
WATHINSVILLE, GA

Dear Sonic-Grams and My Homies, You guys are the BEST, and to all those guys who say they

are your #1 fan, guess what...I'm your #1, #1 fan! I've been trying to collect all your comics I can get my hands on, and I haven't missed an issue since #106. I can almost feel it in my bones when I'm gonna get my next comic.

*If you get a subscription, you can feel your next comic in the mailbox! A lot less painful.*

Now some questions:

1) Could you go back to the type of stories you had in issues #100-#125? Some of your stories have been getting kind of cheesy.

*Ah, behold the power of cheese!*

2) Where the heck is TAILS?!

*Playing SONIC MEGA COLLECTION PLUS!*

3) Let's see some more of Cream the Rabbit.

*Ok. Soon.*

4) And those long "Off Panels"... awesome!!!

*Yup. We have some more coming up.*

5) Last, but not least, let's see some more of the Original Freedom Fighters getting back together.

*Yeah. Glad you liked em'.*

-GARRET LANG  
WATERFORD, MI  
P.S. You guys are the BEST!

Dear Sonic-Grams, I'm your #1 fan! I haven't sent in a complaint yet.

*Thanks.*

Sonic the Hedgehog is my favorite character, but tigers are my favorite animals. I'm crazy about both of them! I want to ask you if maybe you can squeeze in a super powerful tiger, please?

*How did you like Stripe from this issue? We think he's Gr-r-read!*

I keep all of my comics in an orderly fashion and I put your Sonic books under "Comic of the Year." It's the best category!

*As it should be.*

-MIKE DURKIN  
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## START

First off this month all of you have been asking about how and when we are going to use all the great stuff from SONIC X in this comic. We're not! We thought you would like two comics better, SONIC and a new SONIC X mini-series! SONIC X will be on the stands summer 2005! Of course more info next month.

When you aren't reading your SONIC comics, I hope you are all playing the new SONIC MEGA COLLECTION PLUS! It has all the classic games plus tons of extra stuff. Check out the Bonus features in the SONIC museum, filled with covers from the greatest comic of all time, this one!

If all that hasn't whet your appetite, this December at McDonalds SONIC is going to have a Happy Meal toy promotion! So, collect all the McDonalds SONIC toys, plus some MONKEY BALL and BILLY HATCHER toys too! So totally way past cool!

MIKE

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## NEXT ISSUE:



## SONIC 144:

**M:25YL: "THE DIE IS CAST"**  
The final chapter in this future Sonic epic! Will this dream of the future be shattered or will it last forever?  
**"LOVE & LOSS"**  
Will our broken hearted heroes just become broken heroes? And what does this mean for their future?

## OFF-PANEL



Words: Mike Gallagher  
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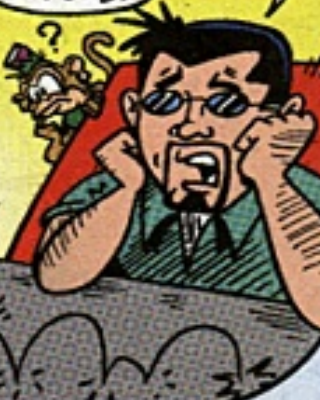
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